IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: § Jose Vicente Murillo Garrido et al. Conf No · 3364 § Group Art Unit: 1612 Appln. No.: 10/764,915

§ Examiner: Sabiha Naim Oazi

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Title: STEREOSELECTIVE PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF 6ALPHA-

FLUORPREGNANES AND INTERMEDIATES

Request For Reconsideration

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2008, (Paper No. 20081106). This response is being timely submitted in view of the submission herewith of a Petition for Extension of Time (three months) to and including June 3, 2009, including authorization to charge the extension fee.

Information Disclosure Statement

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is filed together with this request for reconsideration. Proper consideration of the references cited in the IDS is respectfully requested.

Lack of Enablement under 35 USC § 112

Claims 1-14 and 35-38 (in part) were rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph for the lack of enablement. The Examiner stated that the specification, while being enabling for the compounds containing epoxide ring (as exemplified and elected), does not reasonably provide enablement for the preparation of all compounds as claimed.